(c) will the Government be pleased to state, what the existing practice has been in regard to the matter and whether it has not been found satisfactory?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) and (b): Copy of the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer's circular memo is appended. (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

(c) Existing practice is the same as is emphasised in the circular referred to.

T. A. of Heads of Departments for journeys outside the State.

53. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—(a) whether any Heads of Departments are allowed to draw T. A. according to Cochin rules when journeys undertaken outside the State for purposes connected with the University, Railway, etc., for which T. A. is paid by such bodies according to their rules;

(b) if so, what is the amount credited and drawn from Cochin Treasury by each of the officers during the last two years?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—(a) Yes. The Director of Public Instruction is allowed to draw T. A. according to the *C. S. R.* for his attendance at University meetings provided he refunds what is paid by the University. Similarly when the Comptroller of Accounts attends the Railway Advisory Committee Meetings he is allowed to draw T. A. under *the C. S. R.* after deducting what is paid by the Railway by way of free Railway Pass.

(b) A statement showing the particulars is enclosed. (*Vide Appendix V.*)

Bridge at Trikkur.

54. Mr. T.A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether any petition was received for the construction of a bridge at Trikkur; if so, what action was taken on it?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes. The Trikkur Panchayat received a petition from Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar and others on 21st Chingam 1103 and the Public Works Department is considering it.

Work-house for the poor.

55. Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—Will the Government be pleased to state the progress of the work done with regard to the 'work-house for the poor' in the State?

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